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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1883.

Change of Time.

The date to which it is necessary for our subscribers to pay in order to get *Good Cheer* one year free is set forward one month at the beginning of each month. After this week the date will be DECEMBER 1, 1884. So that all subscribers, old or new, who will pay for THE WATCHMAN to December 1, 1884, will receive *Good Cheer* one year free. Send seven cents for the old month. Those who do not wish to take up with this offer are requested to settle their dues as soon as possible, as we are in immediate need of the money.

Local Items.

DRUGS at Bascom's!
PATENT medicines at Bascom's!
The finest cigars at Bascom's!
ELEGANT handkerchiefs at Bascom's!
BIG trade in "Diamond Dyes" at Bascom's!
LIBRARY lamps cheap, at Webster's.
CIRCULATING library at H. E. Clayton's.

A LOT of plates at fifty cents a dozen, at Webster's.
BARGAINS in gloves, mittens, and underwear, by Boyce, the Barre clothier.

CHRISTMAS and New Year's cards at Keene's, opposite the bank, Waterbury.
KEEP your feet warm by buying wool boots of George P. Boyce, Barre, Vt.

LOOK for holiday goods at Smith's, Barre, Vt. He has something for all.

SEVENTY-FIVE bushels of nice onions for sale low, by Arms & Haines, Waterbury.

KEENE, the Waterbury jeweler, is the man to clean and repair clocks and watches at short notice.

"You will smile all over your face," at Capital hall Thanksgiving night. Felch & Ryerson.

A NEW invoice of buffalo coats and robes, Jap robes, and horse blankets, at Boyce's, Barre, Vt.

BUY your school books, school paper, scratch books, pencils, inks, etc., etc., at Smith's, Barre, Vt.

DOLL carriages, wheelbarrows, snow shovels, mechanical toys and other goods at Keene's, Waterbury.

LABOR stock of flour in all grades very cheap—will certainly be higher some time, Arms & Haines, Waterbury.

THAT comical compound, Ryerson, that kites, kumming Felch, at Capital hall Thanksgiving night. Felch & Ryerson.

"HAI HAI HAI! Why do you laugh?" "Oh don't ask me," go to Capital hall Thanksgiving night and see Felch & Ryerson.

RUBBER boots, lumberman's overs, arctic and Alaska's in full supply, at the clothing store of George P. Boyce, Barre, Vt.

If your annual big dinner hurts you, aid deglutition with a hearty laugh at Capital hall Thanksgiving night. Felch & Ryerson.

An elegant stock of teas and coffee, chocolate, broma, etc. Also fine cigars for those who smoke, at Arms & Haines, Waterbury.

RESERVED seats on sale for one of the funniest entertainments you ever saw, at Phinney's, for Capital hall Thanksgiving night. Felch & Ryerson.

THOSE wanting something elegant for holiday gifts will find it in the complete new line of gold pen-holders and pencils which has just arrived at Phinney's.

WANTED—Situation as miller in a good grist mill, by one that has had several years experience. Call on or address S. L. D. Goodale, West Topsham, Vermont.

HAVING made arrangements to remove my business to Burlington, I wish to settle all my accounts as soon as convenient. Please call at an early date. G. H. Smith.

A FEW pieces of silk plush for trimming will be sold for \$1.25, worth \$1.75; also a lot of striped satins at fifty cents that cost \$1 and over, to reduce stock, at Webster's.

Now is the time to get a good photograph album. The most complete line and lowest prices ever shown in Montpelier you can find at Phinney's. Call and look at them.

The ladies of Bethany society will hold a fair at their chapel on Thursday afternoon and evening, December 13th, when they will offer for sale a variety of fancy and useful articles.

SCOTT, Waterbury, has a new and large line of watches, jewelry and silverware for the holiday trade. Examine his stock before buying elsewhere. Honest goods and fair prices.

THANKSGIVING is at hand, and with it a large stock of goods suitable for the occasion, at the old house of Arms & Haines, Waterbury, who offer for sale at wholesale or retail.

REMEMBER the place to get fine stationery is at Charles A. Smith's, Barre, Vt. He offers a large line of Crane's papers, all the latest tints, box paper, every variety of style and price.

FOR SALE.—One thousand Macomber's improved hand corn and bean planters. Agents wanted for all unoccupied territory. For particulars apply to O. G. Phelps, agent for the state of Vermont, Milton, Vt.

KEENE, Waterbury, has a fine lot of paper and envelopes in elegant boxes, Japan goods, such as card receivers, brackets, clocks of all kinds, ladies' work boxes and writing desks, vases, toilet sets, mustache cups, etc., etc.

THE question is, not the watering of stocks but the getting of water to the village, and to reduce stock, not by watering but by selling, there will be sold colored silk velvets at \$1.25, children's cloakings, seventy-five cents to \$1.25. Just go and see the bargains, at Webster's.

THE best time to select your Christmas cards is before the rush begins, and if you want to see the best and most complete line of all the different publishers, call at Phinney's bookstore and examine his stock. Discount made to those buying for Sunday-schools or in quantities.

COLONEL L. GREGG, of Fayetteville, Ark., ex-judge of the supreme court of the state of Arkansas, recently spent several days at the Detroit bronze factory investigating the work. He favored the company with his order for No. 202 white bronze monument, price \$865 and some other work, before leaving for home.

ARMS & HAINES, Waterbury, have nice Florida oranges, lemons, malaga grapes, rais-

ins in great variety, nuts, figs, dates, prunes, cranberries, apples, jellies, honey, canned goods, etc., at the lowest possible prices. Also a fine stock of fancy groceries in great variety to which we invite the attention of all in need of anything in our line, not particularly for Thanksgiving, but good any time.

CAMILLA URSO, the world famous violinist, is engaged for the lyceum bureau course, Barre, on the evening of December 8th. The only places in Vermont which this distinguished lady favors are, besides Barre, Springfield, St. Johnsbury and Burlington. Camilla powerfully illustrates the old story of the entrancing witchery of the violin in the hands of a master.

Current Mention.

REV. J. H. HINCKS is to conduct the services at Wrightsville next Sunday at two, P. M.

OUR premium announcement is crowded out this week, but the offers still remain good.

GOOD hard wood, four feet in length, is wanted at this office in payment for subscriptions.

A LIMITED quantity of fruit and vegetables of good quality will be taken on subscriptions at this office.

CLAIMS against the St. Albans trust company to the number of nearly five hundred still remain unproved.

CONSIDERABLE correspondence has necessarily been condensed and much entirely omitted this week for lack of space.

EVERY subscriber who does not now have *Good Cheer*, should read the notice headed, "Change of time," in the first column on this page.

THE court of chancery has given orders to S. M. Gleason, Esq., the receiver of the Ely mines, to smelt out what ore there is on hand, and the furnace will be put in order for work at once.

THE Union says that the *Caledonian* just "heavily" escaped being an interesting paper last week. We fear there may be a jealous feeling between these dispensers of mental pabulum.

THE following epitaph is found on a grave stone near Rutland:

Here lies Darius, who died of late,
His spirit flew straight to heaven's gate,
There Gabriel met him with a clasp,
And beat him back to Beelzebub.

EVERY person showed their good judgment by subscribing for THE WATCHMAN Monday, and our confidence in the ability of mankind to appreciate a good thing is being daily strengthened by liberal additions to our list. Keep right on doing so, friends.

ONE of our lady readers sent for some extra copies of last week's WATCHMAN on account of that story headed, "Honest for a Day," with the remark that she tried the same thing once with even worse results than were set forth in our columns. Truth is often stranger than fiction.

WATCHMAN: "Good hard wood, four feet in length, is wanted at this office in payment for subscriptions." Don't you want some dried apples?—*Clippie*. Yes, we will take even dried apples, if you are ready to square up the balance due THE WATCHMAN for exchanging with the *Clippie*.

A COMPANY has been organized for the publication of the *Rutland Review*, under the name of "The Review Company." The articles of incorporation are dated November 12th and were filed November 21st, with the following incorporators: Charles Sheldon, B. W. Marshall, H. W. Love, Jewett P. Cain. The name of Charles Sheldon would seem to be a guaranty of financial backing.

"In a Tight Fix," among the selected articles in this WATCHMAN, will interest the boys and girls and "the children of a larger growth" too. "The Lost Manuscript," and indeed everything in the departments of selected literature, are fresh and breezy, entertaining and instructive. Do not omit the pages on which these things are found. They are a very essential part of a good family paper, for old and young, and the object of particular pains.

THE *Reformer* comes to the front with the following report at the expense of our neighbor around the corner: "The *Argus* attempts to be facetious in calling attention to an item in the *Reformer* of November 9, relative to the bar association meeting October 25-26. It adds: 'It is really amusing.' 'Really' is good. We presume the *Argus* means by this 'as seen from the rear.' As long as the *Argus* keeps in the rear of the *Reformer*, this journal will find no fault with its prospect from that quarter, however 'amusing' it may be."

A MONTREAL dispatch says that Sheriff Quessel of Arthabaska seized the whole of the South-Eastern railway Thursday, but a compromise was made regarding the movable. The seizure was for a claim of \$20,000 by the township of Wickham. The sheriff has forwarded to the official Gazette a notice of sale for January 28th. Ex-Governor Hendee of Vermont, receiver of the bank, is now in Montreal endeavoring to arrange Mr. Barlow's affairs in regard to the South-Eastern road, which are daily becoming more complicated.

MRS. POLLY BOLTON, a lady eighty-nine years of age living alone in her house in the village of Snowville, in the town of Braintree, was burned to death and the house and contents entirely consumed Saturday night just before twelve o'clock. The fire, it is supposed, caught from a chimney, which burned out early in the evening. When the fire was first discovered it was so far advanced that entry to the old lady's room was not possible. She was probably suffocated by the smoke, and charred portions of her remains were found in the cellar.

MONDAY evening the heavens to the north of this village were brilliantly lighted by a fire which occurred on the old county road in East Montpelier. The buildings burned were owned by Horace O. Stewart, and comprised a house, shed, barn and some small out-buildings. Mr. Stewart did not occupy the place, but was at work there in the early part of the evening and had gone to the barn with a tubular lantern, but had not been near the place at which the flames broke out; and, there being no defect in the lantern, it is believed that the fire was the work of an incendiary. Five head of cattle perished in the flames. Several wagons and sleds, and some farming implements were also destroyed.

THERE will be a hearing before Judge Royce at St. Albans, December 7th, on a petition of the Central Vermont and the Consolidated company, that the Central Vermont railroad company may be discharged as receivers and managers so far as the possession and management of said roads are concerned, on such terms and conditions as the court may pre-

scribe; but that they be held subject to the order of the court for the settlement of their accounts, which may be ordered to speedily take place. That the action of the Vermont and Canada railroad company and the Consolidated railroad company of Vermont, in executing the mortgage to secure said bonds, may be fully approved by the court, and for such other relief as to equity may appear.

THE purpose of Mr. Brock to supply the village with water from Berlin pond continues to be discussed. The desirability, the real necessity for having the water is not questioned. There seems, however, to be some diversity of opinion as to the manner in which the end in view should be reached. The view that it should be exclusively by the village, seems to have been adopted by some individuals who at first favored the proposal of Mr. Brock. Nothing succeeds like success, and that way which will be most sure to bring the water, and put its management on a good and economical basis should succeed. The voters should come out to the meeting, which occurs next Monday evening, listen to the presentation of the case from each point of view and vote their honest convictions.

THE United States supreme court at Washington heard last week, the arguments in the great Burdett-Estes organ case. This involves the patent on which the triple reed organ is based, of which more than 40,000 are in use. Riley Burdett was formerly a partner with Jacob Estes & Son of Brattleboro, and he claims that in 1867 they stole away from him the secret upon which this patent is based. The circuit court, Judge Blatchford and Wheeler, gave him a verdict of \$161,000, from which the Estes appealed. Mr. Estes conducts the case for the Estes, and E. J. Phelps for Burdett. The latter is now a wealthy organ manufacturer in Erie, Penn., but at the time of the patent he was poor, and the money upon which he worked was loaned to him by S. M. Waite, then president of the First National bank of Brattleboro, but now serving a term in the house of correction for wrecking that institution. The loan was made for a half interest in the prospective profits. If Burdett wins the sum, one-half the net proceeds will go to Waite's estate and his creditors will profit to that extent.

THE professed discovery by the *Argus* and *Patriot* of a "Nichols boom" in THE WATCHMAN's recent article on the governorship was at first regarded as a feeble display of that exceedingly subtle facetiousness which now and then, when the elements are propitious, is imported into the columns of our esteemed contemporary. More mature consideration has led to the belief that in the "darkness visible" of his imagination the writer of the *Argus* article did see what to his vision, distorted by his childish fears or a too intense gazing at a single object, really appeared to be a living and moving "Nichols boom." The writer seems to have been reassured by the announcement of a similar discovery by the *Landmark*, or perhaps he took his cue from that journal which was a week ahead of the *Argus* in the publication of its discovery. The co-mingling Springfield *Republican*, with its omnipresent spook at its elbow and laboring under that mental infirmity which seems always to afflict it when treating of Vermont affairs, falls an easy victim to the infantile babble of these twin innocents. We have had our "little chuckle" over the freshness of these astute knights of the quill.

ON Saturday last one Edgar Hill, who lives in Calais, came to this place to procure the arrest of George Mower and A. L. Blanchard from Boston, who had been in his vicinity buying poultry, and had given him a ring for which they claimed to have paid ten dollars, in payment for their board. A warrant for their arrest was placed in the hands of Officer Lull. While attempting to serve the same Captain Lull found the warrant to be defective and was told that it could not be served after sundown Saturday night. He doubted this and while seeking legal advice the parties met and settled up, the men paying Hill seven dollars damages. With this Hill soon became belligerent and disturbed a "corn doctor" who was selling a "wonderful compound" at the head of State street, and the latter ordered him away. This he resented and attempted to climb into the wagon, when the men of medicine seized his torch and struck him on the shoulder. Hill was then arrested and taken to jail. Some time afterward Officer Keegan went to the Union house to arrest the "doctor." The name on the warrant was wrong and Keegan sent Charles Sumner to Wing's law office to have the correction made. While Sumner was gone the "doctor" stepped to the hall for a drink of water and "departed." As soon as Sumner returned, search was instituted, and the house and barn carefully guarded, but to no purpose. Messrs. Lull and Keegan went to Montpelier Junction on the 12:40 train Sunday morning to search the train. As they entered one car the object of their search, who had concealed himself in the woodshed, followed them and took a seat, while they passed on to the next car. On Monday a telegram was received from him, ordering his baggage sent to Whitefield, N. H. Hill was bought up on Monday and fined \$5 and costs and released on payment of the same.

THERE has been "much excitement" at Waterbury and business has been disturbed the past week, not however by reason of the presence of diphtheria, but on account of the outrageous reports which the associated press agent has sent out in regard to the prevalence of the disease there. People from a distance who had planned to spend Thanksgiving with friends and relations in the village, terror stricken by the startling dispatches, hastened to indicate their determination to keep away from the pest ridden community. Physicians have written to their brethren there for particulars of the work of the dread contagion. An acute practitioner in a neighboring state raised the query if the disease had not been communicated by fifty miles train from a station on the line some fifty miles distant, in which a death from malignant diphtheria had occurred. All this is the result of a wretched canard, ignorantly and thoughtlessly winged, no doubt, on its mischievous course to the four corners of the land. A boy had died of membranous croup. The family was very destitute, living in crowded apartments, unfavorable for sanitary and other reasons for keeping a corpse. Dying Sunday forenoon, it was considered best to bury the remains as soon as arrangements could be completed, in part deference also to the fears of the neighbors. So the body was committed to the grave in the evening. There have been a few cases of colds and sore throat, possibly some of them of a diphtheritic character, and as the weather was raw and damp very likely a few individuals of catarrhal tendency may have sneezed. By massing

all these causes of mild and customary ailments in any well ordered New England community during the month of November, this half-lifting press agent may have made by an *ex post facto* count his "thirty cases." His antics and capriciousness as a sensational correspondent were developed and illustrated by his dispatches at the time of the Meaker and the McCaffrey murders. The facts in a case never bother him. His imagination supplies facts and details alike of the most lurid character. The assertion is ventured that Waterbury is in as good a sanitary condition as any other town in the state at this trying and inclement season, and people are as quietly about their daily business as the capers of a pestiferous associated press agent may admit.

LANESVILLE, a small village in Berlin, midway between Montpelier and Northfield, was the scene of a most shocking accident last Friday evening. William McIntosh and wife, living on a farm about half a mile south of the village, started a little before seven o'clock to attend a prayer-meeting in the vestry of the Congregational church at Lanesville, taking in on the way Miss Mary House, a daughter of Rev. Joseph House, a Methodist preacher. When they were within a few rods of the railroad crossing the Chicago express was seen approaching from the south. The schedule time of this train is at the rate of forty miles an hour, and as the track at this point is almost straight for a mile or two and the train was on the down grade, they were running at about fifty miles an hour. Mr. McIntosh seemed determined to cross ahead of the train, but as they neared the crossing the danger of the undertaking was so plain that the ladies began to scream and his wife tried to get hold of the reins. Two men standing near the crossing shouted to him to wait and as he came up, one of them, Elmer Dewey, tried to catch hold of his horse's bit and himself narrowly escaped death. All entreaty and opposition seemed to have no effect on the man unless to strengthen his determination, and he continued to urge on his horse with voice and whip, getting on the track just in time to be struck by the almost flying train. The pilot passed under or just behind the horse, throwing the poor animal in a shapeless mass against a post on the west side of the track. The three persons were thrown back on the east side of the track, Miss House being hurled fully fifty feet and striking on a wood pile from which she rolled to the ground. Mrs. McIntosh was rolled along several yards, being instantly killed by a broken neck. Mr. McIntosh had one arm crushed and received internal injuries. The train was stopped as soon as possible and backed up to the crossing, the passengers and railroad men rendering assistance in removing the injured persons. Miss House was taken to Mr. Gove's house a few rods from the crossing. She had a bad cut on the back of her head, but continued to breathe till eleven o'clock that night. Mr. McIntosh lived until five o'clock Saturday afternoon, being taken directly to his home. The immediate cause of his death was the filling up of his lungs from a ruptured blood vessel. The funeral of Miss House was held at her father's residence Sunday afternoon. Her death is peculiarly distressing, as she was the main support of her aged and invalid father and mother. Mr. McIntosh was an old resident, a quiet and respected citizen, brother of R. M. McIntosh of Northfield, the well-known photographer. Some two or three years ago he met with some financial reverses and since then has been partially deranged at times, and this was undoubtedly the prime cause of the accident, as his insanity has manifested itself in a willfulness and impatience of opposition which was entirely foreign to his natural disposition. The funeral of Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh was held Tuesday. Two sons and a daughter survive them. No blame attaches to the railroad company for the proper signals were given and the train was in plain sight for about half a mile before it reached the crossing. The employees rendered every assistance in their power, and telegraphed to Mr. McIntosh's sons on the arrival of the train at Montpelier.

Personal.

HON. AND MRS. L. P. POLAND leave for Washington this week.

COLONEL AND MRS. GEORGE W. HOOKER have gone to Washington for the winter.

COLONEL K. HASKINS of Brattleboro has been admitted to practice in the United States supreme court.

HON. G. L. HARRINGTON of Weybridge, one of the assistant judges of Addison county, is suffering from a stroke of paralysis.

HON. EDWARD S. DANA of New Haven is very ill with a complication of difficulties, partially caused by a severe fall he received a short time since.

GOVERNOR BARSTOW and Lieutenant Governor Pingree are expected to be present at the Grand Army of the Republic fair, Thanksgiving evening at Bellows Falls.

NELSON J. WHITEHILL, a graduate of Dartmouth college and a teacher of experience, has been engaged as principal of the West Randolph school, succeeding A. L. Hardy, who goes to St. Johnsbury.

HON. HILAND HALL, Hon. John W. Stewart, B. F. Field, Esq., E. J. Phelps, Esq., and Hon. Frederick Billings were appointed a committee on behalf of the Vermont historical society to attend and participate in the ceremonies of the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the evacuation of New York by the British on the 25th inst.

EAST MONTPELIER.—The ladies of the Universalist society met at Mrs. Fred Sibley's last Thursday evening. New officers were elected, and a purse containing \$81 was presented to Charles Dudley, in acknowledgment of his services as leader of the choir. The presentation was made by Rev. Mr. McInerney, in behalf of the society and friends.

ISA MEARS and family have moved to Barre.

MR. AND MRS. GOODWIN were visiting in Chittenden last week.

LELLA WEST who is sadly ill, has gone to Dr. George Nichols' for treatment.

HARRY MOSE has rented the Octagon house in Barre and purchased furniture for the same.

J. R. YOUNG killed one hundred and fifty turkeys last week, averaging ten pounds each.

WILLIAM OMBREER has been confined to his bed for the past six weeks, with typhoid fever, and it is now feared he will have the pneumonia.

THE school at the Four Corners, taught by Hattie Arbuckle, closed last Saturday. Miss Arbuckle was among the enterprising teachers who attended the association at Montpelier.

H. D. FOSTER is laid up with severe injuries in his side, which he received while chopping in the woods near Aris Slattery's. The accident occurred by falling from a log while trying to dislodge a tree.

HINCKLEY STEVENS, who has been confined to the house by paralysis, for the past two years, died last Sunday evening. He leaves a wife and one daughter. He is to be buried to-day at one o'clock P. M., with Masonic honors, by Aurora Lodge, No. 22, of Montpelier.

George W. Wieg, W. M.

Montpelier.

MR. AND MRS. A. J. SIBLEY are in Boston. E. W. THOMPSON was in town over Sunday.

MR. J. B. SCOVILLE is very low with typhoid pneumonia.

MRS. FANNY FIELD came home last night for a week's visit.

SENAUON N. L. BOYDEN was in town last week Wednesday.

THE Felch-Ryerson company at Capital hall to-morrow evening.

J. G. MORRISON will take rooms at the Pavilion for the winter.

C. W. PORTER will spend Thanksgiving at his home in Quebec.

MR. AND MRS. T. W. WOOD have returned to New York city for the winter.

THE ladies of Bethany society will hold a fair at their chapel December 13th.

MRS. HICKEYBORN with her son, George, is visiting for father, Orange Field.

MRS. FORD of Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George C. Shepard.

MRS. LYDIA, wife of William Dodge, died on Thursday at the age of sixty-one years.

GOVERNOR BINGHAM and Hon. Charles Dewey were in Rutland last week Tuesday.

MISS MARY, daughter of Hon. Charles Dewey, has been in quite poor health for some time past.

MR. A. A. HADLEY spends Thanksgiving at his home in Morristown, and will go to Boston next week.

E. W. BAILEY & Co. have recently ornamented their flour and feed store with some attractive signs.

MRS. STEPHEN FREEMAN is soon to move into her house on Loomis street now occupied by A. B. Briggs.

G. H. SMITH advertises a closing-out sale of his stock preparatory to removing his business to Burlington.

THE Thanksgiving service of the Church of the Messiah will be held in the vestry on Wednesday, at seven P. M.

THE regular monthly temperance meeting will be held at Trinity vestry next Sunday evening at seven o'clock.

SOME of the ladies are reading in the regular Church of the Messiah. They met with Mrs. M. C. Knott yesterday afternoon.

REV. MR. WRIGHT has been laying a water pipe from a spring on his premises to his mother's house on Lower State street.

THE post-office will be closed to-morrow because of the hours of tea, A. M., and four, P. M., and after quarter-past six, P. M.

REV. J. D. BERMAN has purchased an interest in the business of Butterfield & Burnett, spring-bed manufacturers at Swanton.

E. V. WITTER advance agent of the Camilla USO concert troupe, was in town on Monday.

AARON H. MARTIN, a long-time resident of this vicinity, died of consumption at Port Emma, Dakota, on the 8th of the present month.

THE wooden structure in the rear of A. D. Farwell's store is being moved to the vacant lot at the foot of the hill and on the opposite side of the street.

MRS. D. S. WHEATLEY attended the musical convention at St. Johnsbury last week and was, we believe, the only representative of Montpelier present.

SECTION was made last week of the ill health of Edward L. Smith. It gives us great pleasure to announce that his condition at present is greatly improved.

HON. E. P. WALTON has, during the past week, torn down his barn in the rear of his stable buildings, greatly improving the appearance of his premises.

LAST Tuesday C. A. Barnard and J. A. Locklin went on a shooting expedition on the shores of Lake Champlain. They returned on Friday, having secured twenty-one ducks.

THE *Rutland Herald* reports the dangerous illness of Mrs. Ruth P. Barrett. Mr. Barrett is well remembered here, having had an office with S. C. Shurtliff for some time.

SEVEN of our young ladies, in mutual quest for increased intellectual attainments, have organized a literary society. Judging from their first selection for reading, their intentions are serious.

NEXT Wednesday evening at the vestry of the Church of the Messiah will be given, "Revel de Lion." It gives us great pleasure to announce that his condition at present is greatly improved.

ABOUT twenty-one thousand pounds of poultry were shipped from this place on Friday last over the Central Vermont and Montpelier & Waterbury railroads. The animals, shipped from Barre and from this place loaded two cars.

MRS. M. M. TRUAND daughter, Mrs. Charles Truand, formerly of this place but now residing in Randolph, are soon to leave for Milwaukee while her daughter goes on to Dakota.

E. R. MEADER, agent for the "New American" sewing machines, has made his headquarters in the store of Captain A. A. Mead, where he has a carload of machines. He will keep two men on the road, but will himself remain here.

ON Monday a young son of George O. Brown was kicked in the side of the head by a horse in the store of Captain A. A. Mead, which he was unharmed. It was at first thought that he could not live, but at last accounts he was more comfortable, and it is hoped he will recover.

A YOUNG French boy, who rejoices in the cognomen of Garibaldi, was at one of our citizens recently when he accidentally hurt his finger. He stopped work and went to his employer, holding up his finger, and very properly exclaimed, "See there. It leaks, it leaks."

ON Sunday Joseph Pecor went to the house of John Moriarty to collect a small bill. Some sharp words ensued, when Moriarty ordered him to leave the premises. Pecor then resorted to blows. He was arrested, assaulted and battery and released on Monday, after paying one dollar and costs.

MISS JULIA SIMMONS and Miss Ella Martin of Williamstown, were in town last week visiting, and were joined on the 25th inst. by day night by Miss Fannie Simmons, a sister of the first named lady, from Cromwell, Conn., where she has been working for some time. They returned home Wednesday.

ONE James Vance claiming to have come from Barre, at the Montpelier and Wells River depot, was arrested for drunkenness by Officer Keegan on Saturday. Monday forenoon he appeared before Justice Clark, and, being unable to pay the fine imposed, was sentenced to the house of correction for ninety-six days.

WE clip the following from the Omaha, Nebraska, *Daily Republican*, for which we are indebted to G. Hyde Foster: "We were pleased to receive a call yesterday from Hon. Joseph Poland of Montpelier, Vt. * * * Mr. Poland and son are the guests of Judge Thurston and Mrs. Thurston, who is his niece." Mr. Poland returned from his western trip Friday.

THANKSGIVING services will be held in Trinity church to-morrow forenoon at eleven o'clock. The congregations of Bethany, Trinity and the Baptist churches unite on this occasion, and the service will be preached by Rev. E. D. Mason of the Baptist church.

Eighty-five was the number present last year at a similar service, and this fact bears with it an exhortation.

A REPORT comes to us of a strange proceeding at Green Mount cemetery last Saturday. Some bodies, which had been brought from a cemetery in another town and placed in the tomb, were taken out and graves dug for their reinterment, but darkness coming on, they were left unburied until Sunday morning, when the work was completed. Is this a civilized and Christian community?

MR. J. K. KINNEY, formerly well-known in this place, and for some time leader of Bethany church, is now a member of a choir in Hartford, Conn. The choir is composed of a solo-quartet and chorus, the members of the quartet, besides Mr. Kinney, all being Boston artists.

MISS FORTA Hyde, formerly of St. Albans, is the contralto and the tenor is the "first" of the famous Weber quartet.

A REGULAR meeting of Vermont Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., was held last Wednesday evening.

day evening. Deputy Grand Master H. L. Sillison of Bennington was present and addressed the meeting, he being on the regular annual visit to the lodges of the state in the absence of Grand Master W. W. Hayter. After the business had been transacted refreshments were served and a pleasant social time followed.